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Miami Beach U13 Travel Soccer Team Wins the 2013 Nike Champions Cup!

Miami Beach, FL - The City of Miami Beach U13 Travel Soccer team was crowned champions of the 2013 Nike Cup in Sanford, FL on May 19, 2013! Miami Beach defeated Jacksonville FC 2-1 in the final match to bring home the championship trophy.

The Miami Beach U13 team, coached by Brian Geraghty, advanced to the tournament final by finishing first in the group stage with a 6-0 victory over Creeks Clash, a 2-2 tie with Maitland Shock, and a 2-0 victory over Jacksonville. Group stage goal scorers for Miami Beach included Matias Aranguiz (3), Leonardo Acosta (2), Camilo Valdelamar (1), Roberto Carlos Reyes (1), Bautista Salinas (1), Patrick Geraghty (1), and Venancio Lobo (1).

The Championship game matched Miami Beach against Jacksonville FC once again. The Miami Beach defense, led by Olman Melara, Alec Priscal, Alexander Garcia, and Nicolas Arriola, held off the Jacksonville attack. A goal late in the first half by Christopher Ghersi, assisted by Kyle Falbo, put Miami Beach up 1-0. A late goal by Jacksonville off a corner kick tied the match up shortly before the end of regulation and put the game into a penalty kick shootout. Miami Beach goalkeeper Patrick Geraghty stepped up in the shootout with a huge save, and Miami Beach's Roberto Carlos Reyes, Alexander Garcia, and Geraghty scored their penalty kicks to give Miami Beach the 2-1 victory!

For more information about the Miami Beach Traveling Soccer Program, please contact Edith Guerra at 305-673-7767. Look for future events and other Miami Beach Parks and Recreation programming in your Recreation Review, call our offices at 305-673-7730 or visit our new and improved website at www.miamibeachparks.com.

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